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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
- 2. Submission Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) and Preliminary Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115;
- 3. One (1) return postcard; and
- 4. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$810.00 to cover Request for Continued Examination (RCE) fee.

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